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Wednesday, January 13, 1999

The parties met, pursuant to the notice of the Chief Judge, at 9:00 a.m.

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1	PROCEEDINGS
2	JUDGE CHACHKIN: On the record.
3	The Bureau has completed its case, I assume?
4	MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: With the exception of cross
5	and redirect of Mr. Kay, Your Honor.
6	JUDGE CHACHKIN: All right. I had withheld a
7	ruling on Bureau Exhibit 281.
8	MR. KELLER: Which is?
9	JUDGE CHACHKIN: Which is the Kay database records
10	produced by Vincent Cordaro.
11	MR. KELLER: Your Honor, subject to some motions
12	and I am sure some preliminary discussion we are going to
13	have here, I have down in the witness room a proposed
14	rebuttal witness who will give testimony that is
15	specifically related to that, so you may wish to withhold
16	ruling until you hear that, assuming you allow the rebuttal
17	witness to testify.
18	JUDGE CHACHKIN: What is the rebuttal witness
19	going to testify to?
20	MR. KELLER: The rebuttal witness is a computer
21	expert who is in the witness room right now in the process
22	of examining some of the files that came from the disk that
23	was produced by Mr. Cordaro. He will testify about matters
24	relating to that.
25	While I am not going to

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1	JUDGE CHACHKIN: All right
2	MR. KELLER: have him specifically comment on
3	the testimony of Mr. Cordaro, I will be asking him some
4	questions that are the same as the questions that were asked
5	of Mr. Cordaro yesterday, and I guess what I can proffer to
6	you at this time is that it will have some edification
7	regarding these files. At that point you can make a more
8	determined
9	JUDGE CHACHKIN: I was going to say that my
10	inclination was to reject the exhibit.
11	MR. KELLER: You may
12	JUDGE CHACHKIN: However, I am prepared to listen
13	to further evidence
14	MR. KELLER: Okay.
15	JUDGE CHACHKIN: simply for the reason that we
16	do not have any sponsoring witness. The Bureau has not
17	produced a sponsoring witness.
18	MR. KELLER: I agree. Even beyond the rejection,
19	even if the exhibit is rejected, though, I believe this
20	testimony is nonetheless going to have some relevance to
21	JUDGE CHACHKIN: All right.
22	MR. KELLER: how we interpret the testimony of

JUDGE CHACHKIN: All right. I am prepared to hear

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think it will still be relevant testimony.

Mr. Cordaro. Also, I think it will still be relevant. I

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- 1 that testimony --
- 2 MR. KELLER: Very well.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: -- obviously since there has been
- 4 testimony from Mr. Cordaro as to what he did, but insofar as
- 5 this particular exhibit is concerned, the Bureau has not
- 6 produced a sponsoring witness for the exhibit.
- 7 MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: Your Honor, our intention,
- 8 as we stated before, was not to use it for the truth of the
- 9 matter asserted, but sort of the categories of stuff that
- 10 was contained therein.
- However, we thought that that was a simple matter.
- 12 It is not worth us producing a computer expert. We think
- that we got what we needed from Mr. Craig Sobel.
- MR. KELLER: Your Honor, I agree and renew the
- 15 motion that this exhibit be rejected. The same ruling would
- apply to, I do not have the binder in front of me right now
- 17 because it is with my expert, but Exhibits 281 through there
- is a series of exhibits that are the same thing, Your Honor.
- 19 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Yes. The ruling was withheld
- with respect to 281 through 285. My inclination, in view of
- 21 the fact that there has not been any sponsoring witness,
- 22 is --
- MR. KELLER: I will further say I have no
- 24 objection if the Bureau wishes to produce and introduce as
- 25 evidence or introduce as an exhibit in lieu of this what

- they would then stipulate are unmodified copies of the files
- 2 actually produced by Mr. Cordaro at his deposition.
- We will have testimony this morning from our
- 4 rebuttal witness which would potentially make that useful to
- 5 Your Honor.
- 6 MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: What you are saying is put
- 7 in the disk?
- 8 MR. KELLER: Put in the disk. I have no objection
- 9 to that, as long as you will put it in with the stipulation
- that the file contained on the disk or the copies thereof
- 11 have not been modified from those produced by Mr. Cordaro.
- MR. SCHAUBLE: Are you asking with respect to the
- 13 specific ZIP file?
- 14 MR. KELLER: Exactly what you received from him,
- so, yes, the specific ZIP file. In other words, I want a
- 16 copy of the actual file that he produced, not one that has
- 17 been rezipped or modified in any way.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Well, at this time --
- 19 MR. KELLER: They do not have to. I am just
- 20 saying I would not object to that.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Well, I do not know whether I at
- 22 this late stage would permit it, but at this point since the
- 23 Bureau has not produced a sponsoring witness for this
- 24 material I will reject Bureau Exhibits 281 through 285.
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1	(The documents referred to,
2	having been previously marked
3	for identification as Bureau
4	Exhibit Nos. 281 through 285,
5	were rejected.)
6	MR. KELLER: Your Honor, along those same lines,
7	there is also a motion outstanding. I had made a motion,
8	Your Honor, following the testimony and cross of Paul Oei,
9	one of the Commission witnesses, that you strike that
10	portion of Mr. Oei's testimony relating to the 1992
11	inspection in Mr. Kay's office relating to the remote link,
12	or it has been referred to sometimes here as the cross band
13	repeater, et cetera.
14	The basis of my motion was that this was testimony
15	being offered presumably going to the intentional malicious
16	interference issue in this case, that the only testimony
17	that Mr. Oei offered was that he was present at an
18	inspection by that, it was an inspection that he was
19	merely present at; he was not the one primarily conducting
20	the inspection in I believe it was May of 1992 at Mr.
21	Kay's office. The result of that inspection was the
22	issuance of a notice of apparent liability to Mr. Kay.
23	A petition for reconsideration was filed, and I
24	might note that that notice of apparent liability did not
25	make a finding of intentional interference. It rather made
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- a finding that there were certain technical licensing
- 2 problems with the set up that Mr. Kay was operating. Mr.
- 3 Kay disputed that, still disputes it to this day.
- 4 He filed a timely petition for reconsideration.
- 5 The Commission at that time found that the notice of
- 6 apparent liability was not in order. Therefore, a petition
- 7 for reconsideration did not really lie, but they said we
- 8 will treat the petition for reconsideration as a response to
- 9 the notice of apparent liability, at which point they issued
- 10 a forfeiture order. Mr. Kay filed a timely petition for
- 11 reconsideration to the forfeiture order, which remains
- 12 pending to this day.
- Now, my position, Your Honor, is that this is a
- 14 matter that was already addressed by the Commission in that
- phase. We, throughout the pre-trial stages of this case,
- 16 frequently asked for a bill of particulars as to what
- 17 specifically it was. I mean, if you are charging us with
- 18 malicious interference, who did we interfere with, when, on
- 19 what frequency, and we were never really provided with that
- 20 information. We have now been through the entire Bureau's
- 21 case. The only evidence that has been introduced even
- remotely going to interference is that testimony of Mr. Oei.
- My feeling is I do not know what the Commission
- 24 intended when they designated a malicious interference
- issue, but if they intended in designating the issue to

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- 2 forfeiture and notice of apparent liability orders back in
- 3 1992, it seems to me that at a minimum they would have
- 4 acknowledged and referenced those orders, so I do not think
- 5 that we can say that that particular testimony has any
- 6 relevance to the designated issue.
- 7 You withheld a ruling at the time because the
- 8 Bureau represented, I believe, that there would be testimony
- 9 from other witnesses. I believe the only witness that made
- 10 any testimony that even remotely touched again on this
- 11 subject, and I stand to be corrected if the Bureau's
- recollection is different from mine, was Mr. Cordaro
- 13 yesterday, who stated that he was present during the
- inspection, but he also testified on cross-examination that
- 15 he was present at his desk at which he could not even view
- 16 the matter.
- 17 He testified vaguely about something called a
- 18 cross band repeater. He offered no direct evidence of being
- 19 aware of any interference. He never stated a date that
- 20 anybody was interfered with. He does not even fully seem to
- 21 understand -- well, I will stop there. I will not
- 22 characterize his testimony beyond that.
- It is just that I do not think that the testimony
- 24 of Mr. Oei is relevant to this case because it is not
- 25 relevant to any issue designated by the Commission because

- the 1992 matter is already being addressed separately by the
- 2 Commission.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: What is the Bureau's position?
- 4 MR. SCHAUBLE: Your Honor, a couple things. First
- of all, Mr. Keller stated that this was the only testimony
- 6 concerning the interference issue.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Let's assume it is not. Let's
- 8 just deal solely with Mr. Oei's testimony.
- 9 MR. KELLER: That is not relevant to my argument.
- 10 You are correct.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Let's just deal with that. Is
- that relevant to this proceeding, the issues in this
- 13 proceeding?
- MR. SCHAUBLE: Your Honor, first of all, there was
- a portion of Mr. Oei's testimony, which I do not think Mr.
- 16 Keller is talking specifically about, which I think is
- 17 relevant to the construction issue.
- 18 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Fine.
- 19 MR. KELLER: I am only talking about his testimony
- 20 regarding the 1992 inspection --
- MR. SCHAUBLE: Okay. I just wanted to make sure
- 22 we are clear on that.
- 23 MR. KELLER: -- at the office, at the Van Nuys
- 24 office.
- When we get the transcript, we can later come

- 1 back, and I can designate the specific portions I am talking
- 2 about.
- 3 MR. SCHAUBLE: Your Honor, I think there was
- 4 evidence taken concerning this inspection. I think we can
- 5 argue, you know -- personally, we would like an opportunity
- 6 to review the transcript of Mr. Oei's testimony. After that
- 7 we may conclude that there is insufficient evidence of
- 8 willful and malicious interference, but --
- 9 JUDGE CHACHKIN: All right.
- MR. SCHAUBLE: -- we do not --
- MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: It is premature at this
- 12 point, Your Honor. He is arguing the sufficiency of the
- 13 evidence.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: No, no, no.
- MR. KELLER: No, I am not. No, I am not. I am
- 16 arquing the relevance of the evidence to any designated
- 17 issue. The sufficiency is something to be argued in your
- 18 findings and conclusions, but I am saying this evidence does
- 19 not go to any designated issue.
- 20 MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: It goes to interference I
- 21 think. We investigated an interference complaint and found
- 22 equipment that Mr. Oei found to be irregular. Whether that
- is sufficient to prove malicious interference is something
- 24 we may in the end agree with counsel that it was not. We
- 25 have to review the transcript.

- 1 MR. KELLER: I agree.
- 2 MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: It is relevant. It may not
- 3 carry our burden.
- 4 JUDGE CHACHKIN: What about the second point that
- 5 already it has been covered in the notice of apparent
- 6 liability?
- 7 MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: Basically the CIB withheld
- 8 any action on that when this was designated because they
- 9 thought interference was the purview of -- it was yours to
- 10 decide and not theirs at that point.
- 11 MR. KELLER: When did they make any such
- 12 statement?
- 13 MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: They did not make such a
- 14 statement.
- 15 JUDGE CHACHKIN: So they dismissed the notice of
- 16 apparent liability?
- MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: No, they did not.
- 18 MR. KELLER: Are they going to withdraw the
- 19 forfeiture order?
- MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: You know, if there is no
- 21 finding in this case they may.
- MR. KELLER: Wait a minute. There is a forfeiture
- 23 order outstanding. I would suggest that His Honor cannot
- 24 issue another forfeiture on top of the one that is already
- 25 there.

1	Are you prepared to say that if this evidence goes
2	forward, no forfeiture can be issued for it?
3	MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: You know, this is an inter
4	Bureau matter. I would not be authorized to say.
5	JUDGE CHACHKIN: I suggest that you take it up
6	with the Bureau and whoever you have to deal with and get
7	back and let us know what their response is, whether they
8	intend to go forward with the notice of apparent liability.
9	MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: The issue, as Mr. Keller
10	correctly stated, this goes to two separate issues. The
11	forfeiture order, which related to unlicensed operation of
12	the repeater, is not the issue in this case. They really
13	are separate and distinct matters
14	JUDGE CHACHKIN: No.
15	MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: arising out of the same
16	set of facts.
17	MR. KELLER: Your Honor, that I find totally
18	objectionable. You cannot go in 1992, do an inspection.
19	The impetus of the inspection, as the witness testified, as
20	Mr. Oei testified, was an interference complaint. Do an
21	inspection, as a result of that inspection issue of notice
22	of apparent liability and a forfeiture order
23	MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: All right. It is not fair.
24	JUDGE CHACHKIN: All right. Counsel will
25	MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: I will check with the CIB
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- 1 and report back to you.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: All right. Fine.
- 3 MR. KELLER: What I will also do, Your Honor,
- 4 since you are going to obviously have this matter under
- 5 advisement for a time longer, is as soon as we get the
- 6 transcript of that day's testimony, the next time we bring
- 7 this up I will have the actual transcript pages and specific
- 8 parts that we would want stricken.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: All right. All right. All
- 10 right.
- MR. SHAINIS: Your Honor, there is another matter.
- 12 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Okay.
- MR. SHAINIS: Last night we discovered, due to
- some miscommunication, three witnesses who were supposed to
- 15 arrive yesterday evening did not arrive. They will be
- 16 arriving this evening.
- 17 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Who is that?
- 18 MR. SHAINIS: The witnesses are, Your Honor, the
- 19 Marshalls -- there's two of them -- and Mr. French is the
- 20 third one.
- When we found out what had happened, we called Mr.
- 22 Schauble at his home and advised him as to what was
- 23 happening, and we think we have so that this day is not
- 24 wasted, and there is another problem also.
- Mr. Kay, who needs to be cross-examined still, has

- 1 two problems. One is his back, which is the primary one.
- 2 He does not think he is going to be able to make it
- 3 tomorrow. Later this afternoon we will take him to a
- 4 doctor. Apparently he has had back problems before, and he
- 5 knows what he has to do. So, he would not be available
- 6 today.
- 7 Again, I am going to tell you I am embarrassed,
- 8 and I apologize for this. What happened was in juggling
- 9 around different schedules this is just one of the things
- 10 that was not focused on.
- MR. KELLER: Your Honor, I will take partial blame
- 12 for this.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: All right. Let's just get to the
- 14 -- I understand something happened. Now, what is your
- 15 suggestion, Mr. Shainis?
- 16 MR. SHAINIS: We have Ms. Ashauer to finish up
- 17 today, which would take a very small part of the day. We
- 18 then have a witness, a computer expert, who would take up
- 19 some part of the day.
- 20 MR. KELLER: Some part of the day, but I do not
- 21 anticipate that going beyond this morning.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Who is that?
- MR. KELLER: His name is Eric Johnson. He is down
- in the witness room right now ready to come in as soon as we
- are finished with Ms. Ashauer and you are otherwise ready

- 1 for him.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: All right. Then we recess for
- 3 the day? Is that correct?
- 4 MR. SHAINIS: Well --
- 5 JUDGE CHACHKIN: That is all the witnesses you
- 6 have? Is that correct?
- 7 MR. SHAINIS: Yes.
- 8 MR. KELLER: Well, we have another suggestion.
- 9 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Mr. Hanno?
- 10 MR. SHAINIS: No. He is not in.
- MR. KELLER: We are going to have five witnesses
- 12 here tomorrow. It is going to be a busy day.
- 13 MR. SHAINIS: The suggestion might be that we have
- an admission session for the rest of today on our exhibits.
- MR. KELLER: Get through the process of
- 16 identifying --
- 17 JUDGE CHACHKIN: I did not know you wanted to
- offer your exhibits. I thought you were going to do it as
- 19 you were doing it.
- 20 MR. SHAINIS: That was what I was intending to do,
- 21 but I do not know. If you want us to do that, we will be
- 22 happy to.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Well, whichever way you want to
- 24 proceed.
- MR. KELLER: We are prepared to say if you did not

- want to have a total down day, we could go through that
- 2 process now. We are easy either way.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Do you intend to offer all your
- 4 exhibits?
- 5 MR. KELLER: Not all, but many.
- 6 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Do you think there will be a
- 7 dispute about them? Well, no question. We could certainly
- 8 do that. That would certainly save us some time.
- I just want to say that as far as I am concerned,
- 10 all the parties in this case have cooperated, and we are
- 11 moving very speedily. If there are delays for reasons as
- 12 you have named, that is no problem.
- MR. KELLER: Thank you, Your Honor.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: We will move as quickly as we can
- 15 to finish the case, but I do appreciate the efforts of all
- 16 the parties here to cooperate so we can get this case over
- 17 with.
- MR. KELLER: Thank you.
- 19 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Let's call Ms. Ashauer to the
- 20 stand.
- MR. SCHAUBLE: Your Honor, let me bring up one
- 22 matter with respect to --
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: All right.
- MR. SCHAUBLE: -- Mr. Johnson.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Yes?

1	MR. SCHAUBLE: Is Mr. Johnson's testimony going to
2	be limited to matters of rebuttal to Mr. Cordaro, or is he
3	going to be testifying on matters beyond that?
4	MR. KELLER: Well, his testimony is going to be
5	limited to matters in direct response to the subject matter
6	of Mr. Cordaro's testimony, yes.
7	It is not rebuttal in the sense that over the
8	evening I reviewed Your Honor's rulings on the first day
9	regarding rebuttal witnesses, so I do not have a transcript
10	of Mr. Cordaro's testimony, and I am not going to ask him to
11	comment. "Well, Mr. Cordaro said this. Therefore, what do
12	you say?"
13	What I have instead done is given him the actual
14	computer files. I have given him the Bureau exhibits. I
15	have discussed with him, and then, quite frankly, what I am
16	going to do is ask him certain questions that I hoped to
17	elicit from Mr. Cordaro, to which Mr. Cordaro either did not
18	remember, did not recall or offered answers which I do not
19	believe are accurate and, therefore, going to ask this
20	witness to testify. I believe the testimony will go to
21	clarifying or correcting or rebutting the information
22	provided by Mr. Cordaro.
23	I am not sure I know how you define the scope of
24	rebuttal, but, yes, he is being offered solely to testify

about matters relating to the data disks produced by Mr.

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- 1 Cordaro.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: All right.
- 3 MR. KELLER: I forgot to offer this. I guess you
- 4 are certainly willing to speak with him before he testifies
- 5 if you wish.
- 6 MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: That was our question, Your
- 7 Honor. Let me think about it while Ms. Ashauer is
- 8 testifying, if I could.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: All right. Ms. Ashauer, you were
- 10 previously sworn. You are still under oath.
- 11 Whereupon,
- 12 BARBARA ASHAUER
- having been previously duly sworn, was recalled as a witness
- 14 herein and was examined and testified further as follows:
- MR. SHAINIS: Your Honor, unless there is an
- objection, I plan to ask Ms. Ashauer a few questions, and
- 17 then on some technical aspects Mr. Keller would ask her a
- 18 few questions.
- 19 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Do you have any objection to that
- 20 procedure?
- MR. SCHAUBLE: No objection to that, Your Honor.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: All right.
- MR. SHAINIS: Thank you.
- 24 FURTHER DIRECT EXAMINATION
- BY MR. SHAINIS:

- 1 Q Ms. Ashauer, do you know a Roy Jensen?
- 2 A Yes.
- 3 Q How do you know Mr. Jensen?
- 4 A Mr. Jensen was the general manager at Southland
- 5 Communications Corporation when I started to work for Mr.
- 6 Kay.
- 7 Q Okay. You started to work for Mr. Kay in what
- 8 year?
- 9 A June of 1991.
- 10 Q Okay. You knew Mr. Jensen from that period of
- 11 time until he left?
- 12 A That's correct.
- 13 Q Do you recall approximately when he left the
- 14 employ of Mr. Kay?
- 15 A I believe he was there for a couple of years. I
- 16 think it was 1993 when he left. I couldn't say exactly
- 17 when.
- 18 Q Okay.
- 19 A It may have been a different date. I'm just not
- 20 sure.
- 21 Q I understand. To the best of your recollection?
- 22 A Yes.
- 23 Q Do you know a gentleman named Kevin Hessman?
- 24 A Yes.
- Q And under what circumstances do you know Mr.

	1	Hessman?
	2	A Mr. Hessman was also employed by Southland
~ ,	3	Communications when I started there.
	4	Q Okay. Do you know when Mr. Hessman left Southland
	5	Communications?
	6	A I believe he's the one that left in 1993. I think
	7	Mr. Jensen had left prior to that, but I'm not sure of the
	8	time.
	9	Q You had dealings with each of these gentlemen? Is
	10	that correct?
	11	A Yes.
	12	Q Okay. Would these be regular dealings on a
	13	day-to-day basis?
	14	A Yes, pretty much.
	15	Q Do you have an opinion as to their honesty?
	16	A Yes.
	17	Q What is that opinion?
	18	A Well, I never felt quite comfortable with either
	19	of them. I didn't feel that they were being honest with me
	20	and that they were truthful.
	21	MR. SHAINIS: Your Honor, I am going to allow Mr.
	22	Keller now to ask his questions.
	23	DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. KELLER:

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Ms. Ashauer, I would like you to refer, if it is

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- in the binders in front of you and if not we can get it, to
- 2 WTB Exhibit No. 321.
- 3 A 321. Yes.
- 4 0 321.
- 5 A Uh-huh.
- 6 Q I would like you to turn to page 4 of 5 of that
- 7 exhibit.
- 8 A Yes.
- 9 Q Do you recognize this document?
- 10 A Yes, I do.
- 11 0 What is it?
- 12 A This is my acknowledgement, a notary
- 13 acknowledgement.
- 14 Q You are a notary public?
- 15 A Yes, I am.
- 16 Q How long have you been a notary?
- 17 A For at least 20 years.
- 18 Q Okay. That is your signature at the bottom of
- 19 this form where it says, "Witnessed by my hand and official
- 20 seal?"
- 21 A Yes, it is.
- 22 Q Referring to this document, what does it purport
- 23 to be notarizing?
- 24 A It is notarizing an assignment of authorization.
- Q Okay. It says there "Number of Pages: 1".

- 1 A That's correct.
- 2 Q Is that referring to this page or to some other
- 3 document?
- A No. To the page that this is attached to.
- Okay. I will refer you to page 3 of that exhibit,
- 6 the previous page. Is that the page or does that appear to
- 7 be the page that you are --
- 8 A It is an assignment of authorization, yes.
- 9 Q I notice down by the signature it says "Vince
- 10 Cordaro" on there, and there is a signature. Do you see the
- date after that signature? That appears to be "11-21-92",
- 12 correct?
- 13 A Yes.
- 14 Q Turning back to page 4 of 5, what is the date on
- which you authorized this document?
- 16 A 11-21-92.
- 17 Q Now, do you have a specific recollection, sitting
- here today, of having executed this notary form?
- 19 A No. I don't recall this particular form.
- 20 Q My question is I want you to look at page 4 of 5.
- 21 Page 3 of 5. Excuse me.
- 22 A Yes.
- 23 Q First go back to 4 of 5. Do you believe that this
- is the form that you executed though?
- 25 A Yes, I would assume so. It would normally be

- 1 stapled to it.
- Q Right. Would you have executed this particular
- 3 notary form, page 4 of 5, if, turning back to page 3 of 5
- 4 for a moment, you see on page 3 of 5 there is an FCC form,
- 5 an assignment of authorization form, and there are certain
- 6 blanks where information is filled in, "Service", "GX". Do
- 7 you see that?
- 8 A Yes.
- 10 Cordaro, Rasnow Peak."
- 11 A Yes.
- 12 Q Do you see a call sign typed into that box?
- 13 A Yes, I do.
- 14 O WNXR890?
- 15 A Uh-huh.
- 16 Q Then there is James A. Kay, Jr., on the line
- 17 after, "I hereby propose the assignment of all my rights and
- 18 assignment to, " and the name James A. Kay, Jr., is typed in?
- 19 A Yes.
- 20 Q My question for you is would you have executed
- 21 this notary form had information on this previous form been
- 22 blank?
- MR. SCHAUBLE: Objection. Leading.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: I will overrule the objection.
- THE WITNESS: No, I would not.

	1	BY MR. KELLER:
	2	Q Why not?
•	3	A The California notary rules prohibit signing and
	4	notarizing any form that is not complete.
	5	Q Well, now sometimes I fill out forms for FCC
	6	purposes or other purposes where there is certain
	7	information. There might be one or two blank spots on the
	8	form that are not relevant. How do you deal with a
	9	situation like that?
	10	A Normally you would either line through it or put
	11	an N/A, not applicable, something to show that that
	12	particular space had been acknowledged.
	13	MR. KELLER: No further questions. No further
	14	questions from me.
	15	Excuse me one moment.
	16	(Pause.)
	17	BY MR. KELLER:
	18	Q Have you ever executed a notarization such as this
	19	where information on a form is blank?
	20	A No, I have not.
	21	MR. KELLER: No further questions.
	22	JUDGE CHACHKIN: Cross-examination?
	23	MR. SCHAUBLE: Your Honor, first I would like to
	24	move to strike her testimony concerning Messrs. Jensen and

Hessman on the basis that there was opinion given with no

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- 1 basis or background whatsoever. Therefore, I think it
- 2 totally --
- 3 JUDGE CHACHKIN: You did not object. The question
- 4 was asked and answered. You did not object. Now you can
- 5 cross-examine about the subject.
- I was waiting for an objection. No objection was
- 7 made, so I permitted the question.
- 8 MR. SCHAUBLE: Your Honor, I thought there was
- 9 going to be a basis provided.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Well, it is up to you to object.
- 11 The question has been asked and answered. Now you have to
- 12 proceed.
- MR. SCHAUBLE: Okay.
- 14 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- BY MR. SCHAUBLE:
- 16 Q Ms. Ashauer, how often do you notarize documents?
- 17 A Currently?
- 18 Q In 1992, how frequently did you notarize
- 19 documents?
- 20 A I can't recall.
- 21 Q Can you provide me with any sort of estimate as to
- 22 how frequently?
- 23 A Well, it's not needed very frequently.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: I gather you were the one in the
- office who had the sole authority. Were you the sole notary

1 public at Kay? 2 THE WITNESS: Yes. So whenever there had to be 3 JUDGE CHACHKIN: 4 documents notarized, I assume they came to you to notarize? 5 Is that correct? 6 THE WITNESS: Correct. 7 BY MR. SCHAUBLE: Ms. Ashauer, turn to page 4 of Exhibit 321. 8 Q you see, "The person known to me?" Do you see that 9 10 language, and then after the "or" there is certain language 11 there? After what? 12 Α 13 JUDGE CHACHKIN: She has checked, "Personally 14 known to me." "Personally known to me." 15 MR. SCHAUBLE: 16 THE WITNESS: Yes. BY MR. SCHAUBLE: 17 Is it correct in this acknowledgement that what 18 19 you were acknowledging is that you knew Mr. Cordaro, and you knew that it was his signature on this document? 20 Α That's correct. 21 MR. SCHAUBLE: Okay. No further questions, Your 22 Honor. 23 EXAMINATION BY JUDGE 24

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JUDGE CHACHKIN: Let me ask you this.

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- 1 testified concerning your doubts about the honesty of Mr.
- 2 Jensen and Mr. Hessman. Can you give me specific examples
- 3 on which you base that conclusion?
- 4 THE WITNESS: It would be difficult to give
- 5 specific examples. It would be the type of thing where I
- 6 was told one thing, and then it turned out to be something
- 7 else.
- 8 JUDGE CHACHKIN: What did it concern?
- 9 THE WITNESS: It could be -- I'm trying to think
- 10 back. It was quite a long time ago. I just can't
- 11 specifically think of anything right at the moment, sir.
- 12 JUDGE CHACHKIN: I must say, unless you can give
- me a basis for your opinion, I do not see how it is going to
- do much good for the record. If you could give me a basis
- for how you reached this opinion, that is one thing. Just a
- 16 general statement is not going to be very useful.
- 17 I assume you cannot give me specific examples on
- which you base your conclusion that these two individuals,
- in your judgement, are not honest. Is that correct?
- 20 THE WITNESS: Well, I just -- I'm just trying to
- 21 recall. I can't at this moment think.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: All right. Thank you.
- 23 Any redirect?
- MR. KELLER: No, Your Honor.
- MR. SHAINIS: No, Your Honor.

1	JUDGE CHACHKIN: You are excused. Thank you very
2	much.
3	(Witness excused.)
4	MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: With respect to the next
5	witness,
6	JUDGE CHACHKIN: Yes?
7	MR. KNOWLES-KELLETT: we do not see a need to
8	interview him, as long as it is limited to what they said.
9	JUDGE CHACHKIN: All right. Let's call the next
10	witness then.
11	We will go off the record.
12	(Whereupon, a short recess was taken.)
13	JUDGE CHACHKIN: We are on the record.
14	Would you please stand up, sir, and raise your
15	right hand?
16	Whereupon,
17	ERIC R. JOHNSON
18	having been first duly sworn, was called as a witness herein
19	and was examined and testified as follows:
20	JUDGE CHACHKIN: Please be seated.
21	DIRECT EXAMINATION
22	BY MR. KELLER:
23	Q Would you please state your full name for the
24	record?

Eric Robert Johnson.

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- 1 Q And your business address?
- 2 A It would be 7475 Old Alexandria Ferry Road,
- 3 Clinton, Maryland 20735.
- 4 Q Who is your employer?
- 5 A Micro Support Systems and Clinton Computer.
- 6 Q What is your position?
- 7 A Senior systems engineer.
- 8 O What does that entail?
- 9 A I'm a network engineer that has senior level
- 10 status of seven years or more in the industry, the computer
- 11 industry.
- 12 O What, if any, formal education have you had in the
- 13 computer-related area?
- 14 A Novell Certified Netware Administrator, Version 3,
- and I have an Associate's degree from Prince George's
- 16 Community College. The degree was in 1988 from Largo,
- 17 Maryland. The rest have all just been manufacturer testing
- 18 and trade certifications.
- 19 Q Are you a member of any industry groups, trade
- 20 groups?
- 21 A The Novell users group, a local area users group.
- 22 Q Novell is a computer network vendor? Is that
- 23 correct?
- 24 A They are, yes. They're a manufacturer of
- operating systems.

1	Q How long have you been employed in the computer
2	field?
3	A Since 1988.
4	Q What types of jobs have you done during that time?
5	A Anywhere from a simple installation of a PC, which
6	would include installing the operating system and its
7	applications, all the way up to local area networks,
8	combining them all together in one central file server, up
9	to wide area networks, combining global access
10	communications.
11	Q Okay. Does your knowledge and experience include
12	DOS- and Windows-based systems?
13	A Yes. It has through the years, yes.
14	Q Okay. Do you also have a familiarity with popular
15	software applications that run on DOS- and Windows-based
16	systems?
17	A Yes.
18	Q Are you familiar with an application called
19	FoxPro?
20	A Yes.
21	Q What is that?
22	A It is what is referred to in the industry as a
23	database engine that programs can be built around. It is a
24	custom programming application.
25	Q Can you explain to me the distinction between a